

## ARMY ENGINEERS MAKING REPORTS

Sending In Estimates of Money Needed to Carry On Waterways Improvement.

## MANY CONVENTIONS

One of Most Important Will Be Held in This City This Month.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Washington, October 8.—The army engineers charged with the expenditure of money for waterway projects are rapidly sending in their estimates for appropriations needed to carry on the work now under way throughout the United States looking to the increased use of water courses, in so far as their navigability is concerned. These estimates will be gone over by the board of army officers, of which General W. B. Bixby is the head, and in due season forwarded to Congress by the Secretary of War. These estimates necessarily will be pruned in order that the river and harbor appropriation bill, which undoubtedly will be enacted at the coming session of Congress, may be kept within the thirty million mark, as would have gone forth to the chairman of committees having jurisdiction bills in charge to cut appropriations to the bone.

In anticipation of a river and harbor bill at the coming session of Congress, a number of very important waterway conventions, interested in distinctive projects, will be held during the month of October, commencing with the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterway Association, which will meet in Chicago October 12 to 14. The Atlantic Deep Waterways Association, which contemplates the building of an inland passage from Maine to Florida, meets in Richmond October 18, 19 and 20, and which, according to its president, Hon. J. Hampton Moore, member of Congress from Pennsylvania, will bring together a larger number of delegates than have attended any of the former sessions of this organization. Following closely on the heels of the Mississippi River Improvement Association, which holds its thirteenth convention at Alton, Ill., October 25 and 26.

Hon. Thomas Wilkinson, president of the Upper Mississippi Association, recently said that the economic value of adequate and dependable waterways was unquestioned. "The great commercial cities of the world in all ages have been located upon or had free access to the water routes of commerce," said Mr. Wilkinson. "The cities of this country, as the census will show, that are situated upon improved waterways have far outgrown those cities not on waterways or those cities on unimproved waterways."

Today's important road is its terminals, for obvious reasons, on navigable waterways or deep harbors. The large and commercially important cities have grown and prospered because of cheap transportation secured by water competition. Water transportation is much cheaper than rail transportation, and all transportation is better when it comes in competition with water transportation. Yet notwithstanding the difference in his favor, the shipper has not seemed to consider water transportation on the river seriously because of lack of thought and proper attention. Nevertheless, through the educational influence of waterway associations, and especially the National Rivers and Harbors Association, presided over by Hon. Joseph E. Randall, of Louisiana, an awakening is at hand all over the country; activity in waterway projects is remarked, and a waterway era is upon us such as was begun by Germany a generation ago.

November will also be marked by a number of waterway conventions, chief of which in importance probably will be the Mississippi-to-Atlantic Inland Waterway Association, which meets at Montgomery, Ala., on the 20th, 21st and 22d of next month, and very fittingly will give the way for the big waterway convention of the Atlantic coast—the National Rivers and Harbors Congress—which meets in Washington December 6, 7 and 8.

## WEDDED BY MAIL 15 YEARS AGO, NEVER SAW BRIDE

Gets Leave of Absence to Visit Wife in Portugal, Who Married Him Under a Contract Form.

San Francisco, October 7.—After fifteen years of married life, during which time he had never seen his bride, Manuel K. Silva, a trackwalker employed in the yards of the Southern Pacific Company, has been granted leave to visit Portugal for his delayed honeymoon.

"I've never seen her, and we've been married about fifteen years now," Silva wrote to the company, and explained the matter with a statement of his boyhood days had been celebrated under the contract form recognized in Portugal. It is estimated he has walked 30,000 miles during his employment on the railroad, and he is now receiving a pension from the company.

## MAYOR SHANK STILL FIGHTS POTATO TRUST

Indianapolis, Ind., October 8.—Mayor Shank's second cloud of potatoes, brought here from Michigan and sold at 75 cents a bushel to break a combination corner in the tubers, was sold out before 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and hundreds of men had baskets full of the potatoes.

Around the wagon, on which were large streamers bearing the legend "Shank's potatoes," a crowd of 500 was gathered when the sale began, and new arrivals took the place of the old ones as fast as they could walk on them. The scenes of floating, pulling and hauling for places at the potato baskets were repeated, and shouts of "Hurrah for Shank!" were heard on the side.

Other purchasers of the way here from Michigan, and hundreds of persons have forewarned potatoes till the Shank contingent arrives.

## LULU GLASER SUES HERZ FOR DIVORCE

Actress Says Husband Beat and Choked Her, and She Feared Him.

## SEPARATED SINCE 1910

Couple Met in "Dolly Varden" Company, When Stage Love Scene Led to Marriage.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Chicago, October 8.—Mrs. Lulu Glaser Herz, who is a popular actress in musical comedy, and who is known as Lulu Glaser, has started suit for divorce against Ralph C. Herz, who has had prominent parts in musical comedy shows. She charges cruelty.

Lulu Glaser has been well known in musical comedy for several years. She was leading woman with Frank Daniels and won much praise. In 1907 she was playing in "Dolly Varden." Herz also was in the company, and his part was to make love to Mrs. Glaser. He did his work so successfully that within a few weeks he won the heart of the comedienne, and they were married in the little Church Around the Corner.

The marriage proved happy for a few years. Mrs. Glaser was attracted in several productions under the management of the Chubert. She proved a great attraction in every show in which she appeared.

Serious trouble between the couple began about a year ago. They have not been living together since November, 1910. Last April Mrs. Herz began suit for divorce. Then she began to build a home in Mount Vernon, and at that time it was denied there was any trouble between the two. Then Mrs. Herz went to Chicago, and there she established a legal residence. Herz for many months asserted there was not any trouble between him and his wife.

In her suit Mrs. Herz charges her husband beat and choked her, and she was afraid longer to live with him. Why the actress should have started a second suit could not be explained by her friends.

Lulu Glaser for many years was a co-star with Frank Daniels, and her appearance with him always attracted large audiences.

Mrs. Herz said there was no hope of a reconciliation, and that she would press the case to a trial.

At the park the gathering was addressed by Rev. Father Hilary, a Tassianist father. Rt. Rev. James A. McFall, Bishop of Trenton, administered a solemn pontifical benediction.

## FALLS FROM TRAIN

Loses Balance When He Attempts to Strike Match on Bus.

Savannah, Ga., October 8.—When he attempted to strike a match on a moving train, Max Freiling, thirty-five, a traveling salesman of New York, fell from the platform of a Seaboard Air Line coach thirty-eight miles west of here to-day, and was probably fatally injured. Freiling's right leg was broken and his head bruised and he suffered internal injuries.

He was brought here for medical attention, and it is stated that he will not recover.

## BAD CROPS LAID TO "WITCH" CAT

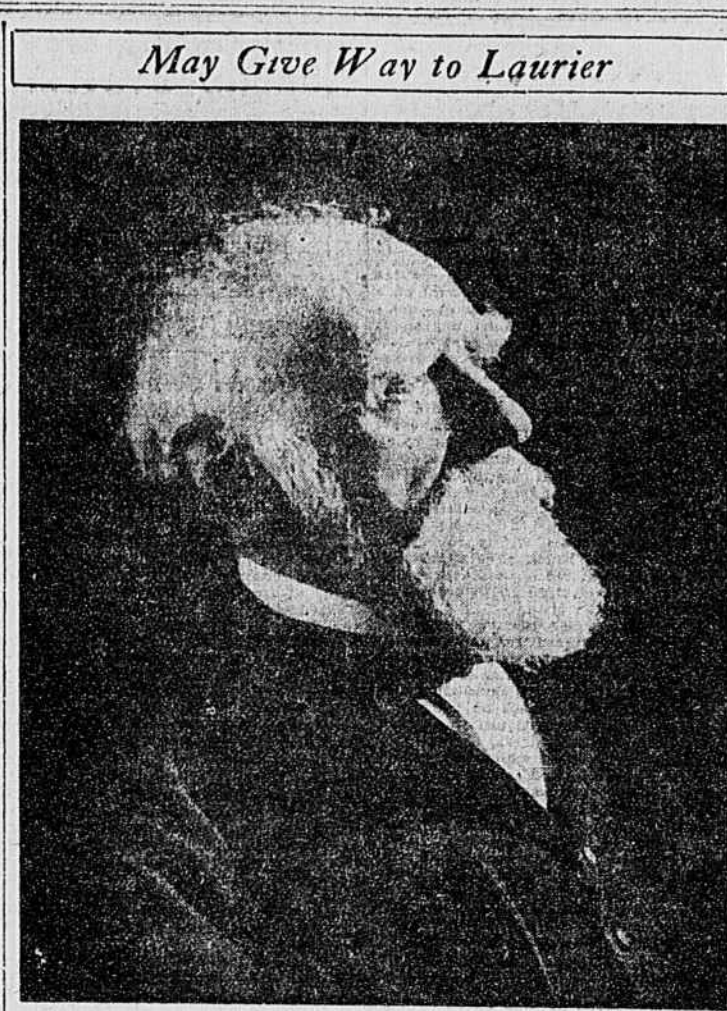
Pottsville, Pa., October 8.—So much afflicted are persons of Lower Schuylkill county that it is now a common saying that this section of the State is "verhexed," or bewitched, and not a few have even looked for the presence of an evil "hexometer" or cat or other uncanny visitors about their premises.

In the towns where people deride the strange tales told of happenings on the Thomas farm, the "hex" cat is a veritable byword. On Monday night the Amphion Social Club, of this place, proposed holding a "hex" cat dance. The committee will decorate the hall in the most uncanny manner possible, while black Thomas cats will be placed in the cozy corners.

Strange to say, the alleged original "hex" cat, captured on the Thomas farm, at Tumbling Run, by Charles Lawless, of Pottsville, has disappeared, but how it got away is a mystery. After Lawless got the cat from a hollow tree, he took it to a store on Market Street, where it was viewed in the big show windows by thousands. A cash reward was offered to any one who would kill the cat, using a gold bullet and an old gun, but none had the courage to take up the offer.

The cat was carefully guarded, but disappeared yesterday. Two of the state of the case had been removed, but who did this has not been discovered.

Many are of the belief that the "hex," or evil spirit, had something to do with letting the cat, held by many mystic and scriptural charms, for a time, get away.



LORD STRATHCONA. Canadian Commissioner in London, may be succeeded by the retiring premier Wilfred Laurier.

## ARMY ORGANIZED INTO DIVISIONS

Carter to Command at Chicago, Grant in East, Perhaps Funston on Pacific.

Washington, D. C., October 8.—The amalgamation of the various departments of the regular army in the United States into three divisions has been completed. With the return of General Wood, chief of staff, who is on a tour of inspection of army posts, the heads of the three divisions will be announced.

It was stated at the War Department yesterday that Major-General William H. Carter, assistant chief of staff, would get the command of the second division, with headquarters at Chicago. This division includes the departments of the Lakes, Missouri, Mississippi and Ohio valleys.

It is not known yet who will get the command of the first division, which is chiefly the old department of the East. It is probable that Major-General F. D. Grant, now commanding the Department of the East, may get the command.

The third division comprises the departments of California, Southwest and Columbia. Major-General Bell and Major-General Murray are in line for this command, but Brigadier-General Frederick Funston, the ranking officer of that grade, may receive the place.

Should Major-General Carter assume command of the second division, Brigadier-General Clarence Edwards, for several years chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs and a warm personal friend of President Taft, will be promoted to the position of major-general and made assistant chief of staff.

The division of the Philippines remains the same.

## KANSAS MAY REGULATE LOVE AFFAIRS BY LAW

Topeka, Kan., October 8.—Are long engagements as bad as too short ones? Is a question being seriously discussed by Kansas probate judges and ministers. Ought there to be a law prohibiting a person from marrying, after being engaged less than a month, and ought not the law provide that, after an engagement of five or six months, the knot must be tied at once, or the engagement declared null and void?

Questioned as to whether he thought the President had said anything on his tour that might work seriously against him in the coming presidential campaign, Mr. Clark replied: "I haven't heard of his saying anything that will do him any good."

## PILES OF DEBRIS BEING REMOVED

Two More Bodies Uncovered in Wreckage of What Was Austin.

Austin, Pa., October 8.—The recovery and identification of two additional bodies and the clearing up of considerable wreckage to-day featured the flood situation. Out of a total of seventy-four believed to have perished sixty-two bodies have been taken from the ruins.

The bodies recovered to-day were those of Mrs. William C. Harvey and her daughter, Mrs. George Beebe. Eight hundred employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad came here voluntarily to-day from Williamsport, Pa., and assisted in removing the great piles of debris. The special train, furnished by the railroad officials, they worked steadily throughout the day and made telling inroads. With them they carried their own food. Tired, but happy, the volunteer workers left for their homes to-day with a plan on foot whereby each man employed in the Remova shops about 1,000—to contribute \$1 for the relief of Austin's citizens.

An electric light system was established and put into working condition throughout the district laid waste late to-day. No attempt is being made to work to-night, but beginning to-morrow work will be pushed day and night.

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## STATE DEBT CASE WILL BE REOPENED

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stitutionality of the initiative and referendum law.

Among the most important cases on the docket are several that were held over from last term. Included in the list are the cases involving the validity of the indictment of Charles F. Munday and others, growing out of the so-called Stracey Coal Land claims in Alaska, and of the indictment of James A. Patten and others on charges of violating the Sherman antitrust law in "cornering" the cotton market. The review of the trial of Frederick A. Hyde and others on charges of land frauds on the Pacific coast will constitute still another important case. The court will also hear arguments in the Oklahoma land fraud cases, which are four in number and are typical of 301 suits brought by the government to invalidate 20,000 or more conveyances by Indians of titles to real estate, which the government claims were fraudulent conveyances.

Labor has one important case from Louisiana in which an employer is being prosecuted for permitting a laborer to work more than eight hours in one day. Also of importance to the laborer is the case brought to test the constitutionality of the Federal employers' liability act of 1908.

The court has been asked to interpret a treaty between the United States and Italy. The case in question involves the right of an Italian consul to take charge of the estate of an Italian subject, who died in this country, contrary to local law.

Not the least of the problems before the Supreme Court is the necessity of relieving the congestion which threatens to clog the administration of justice if measures are not taken by Congress for its relief. As before stated, there are now more than 700 cases on the docket for the term. The average number of cases that can be decided by the court in a year is about 100, and this is somewhat high. It is apparent, therefore, that the court is two years behind in its work and inevitably will fall back still further if its labor is not lightened.

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## DARES PREACHER TO DRINK POISON

Sharon, Pa., October 8.—"Have a drink," said A. M. McVey, of the Church of Christ, as he passed a bottle of carbolic acid to E. J. Ebeling, of Wilkesboro, O., of the Reorganized Church of the Latter Day Saints, in a debate on church matters to-day. Mr. Ebeling declined to drink the poison, which was offered as a test of Ebeling's faith in the doctrine he was preaching.

The rival evangelists have been conducting a series of debates in South Sharon. At the close of the debate to-day Mr. Ebeling set forth the miraculous powers spoken in the sixteenth chapter of St. Mark, as a part of the New Testament Church. He had just repeated St. Mark, xvi, 15: "They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

McVey was not slow to seize the opportunity, and drawing a bottle of carbolic acid from a pocket, tossed it across the stage to Ebeling and defied him to drink it.

"If you believe in miracles, and that your prophet, Joseph Smith, can save you, swallow that poison," declared Mr. McVey. Ebeling was dumfounded, and although he toyed nervously with the bottle, he did not swallow the contents.

The audience was much impressed by the scene.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

## News of Petersburg.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 105 North Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va., October 8.

Monroe Mason, colored, employed as foreman on the steamer Aurora, was drowned in the harbor last night. He had been over in Pocahontas to see some friends, and between 3 and 10 o'clock was crossing the harbor with a companion in a small rowboat, on his return to the steamer. By some means unknown the boat was upset in the middle of the harbor, and Monroe was drowned, while his companion swam ashore. The body was recovered in less than fifteen minutes, and every effort was made to revive him, but without avail. Mason lived in Blandford.

No Decided Announcement.

The Rev. D. H. Rolston, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, has not as yet made any announcement.

## FIRE LOSSES ARE ABOVE NORMAL

Governor Wants People to Prevent Them by Common Sense Methods.

To-day is "Fire Prevention Day," so proclaimed by Governor Mann, who has called upon and urged all citizens to remove as far as possible all trash and waste and any accumulations which may, directly or indirectly, be the means of starting a conflagration. The Governor has asked the school authorities throughout the State to have fire drills. He has suggested to city officials that there be a careful inspection of all fire-escapes and public buildings, with the view of seeing that every possible precaution guarding against fire has been taken and that suitable fire-extinguishers have been provided.

It has been pointed out by the State Department of insurance that of 1,578 fires in the Old Dominion last year, 874 were due to neglect of reasonable precautions. In view of these startling figures and a request from the National Fire Marshals' Association to do so, the Governor issued a proclamation, and not only in Virginia, but in most of the States, the day has been set aside for the purpose of doing all possible to reduce the terrific loss by flames each year.

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## PRINCE CUTS PRICES IN MARRIAGE MARKET

Advertiser Himself for \$75,000—Bargain Due to High Cost of Living.

Berlin, October 8.—A recent advertisement in a leading Berlin newspaper, offering a real price in the marriage market at the low price of \$75,000, has caused widespread discussion. The announcement reads: "Prince, twenty-eight years old, splendid appearance, of great general education and polish, wishes immediate marriage; ready cash necessary, 300,000 marks; marriage brokers not entertained; offers, etc."

A prince, however, it is argued, is in reality a "gift" at \$15,000. In the worst end of Berlin a simple private professor has hitherto commanded a sum in the matrimonial market, while a medical man or a lawyer in good practice was not to be had below \$60,000, and a doctor of philosophy commanded \$25,000 at the very least.

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